Hello and Welcome.

I am Peter Horgan, Mary Jo’s father.

We are very grateful for our family and friends who have gathered here today to celebrate Mary Jo and Matt’s wedding.

A heartfelt thank you to Fr. Georges for the beautiful ceremony today and his guidance in preparing Mary Jo and Matt for the sacrament of marriage.

Mary Kay and I want to thank Steve and Anna Crone for their generosity and involvement with the celebration today and for raising such a wonderful son.

I would like to thank my wife, Mary Kay, for all the energy and enthusiasm she put into planning this magnificent day and for being a wonderful wife and mother. Mary Kay and I celebrated our 35th wedding anniversary this week. We feel so blessed to have such a happy marriage and for the gift of our growing family. I would like to welcome Matt into the Horgan family. From the first time I met Matt at Drew and Sara’s engagement party, I was immediately comforted with his polite and easy going personality.

Our 4 children are all very close in age. I was getting used to their deliveries fitting into my work schedule. Peter and Drew were very accommodating and were both born on a Saturday. Evan had to be induced early-The doctor said we couldn’t pick a Saturday, but we could schedule the day he was to be induced in advance, so I was able to make that work. Evan, being the considerate person he remains today, arrived in less than 4 hours-So, I only had to miss a half-day of work. Now, Mary Jo, She was born on a WEDNESDAY-and I thought to myself “This little girl has spunk!” The definition of spunk is: spirit, determination, nerve, liveliness, courage, boldness. Mary Jo always gives 100% to everything she is involved with.

Mary Jo has always been very devoted to her family, friends and teammates. Many of the friends and coaches from Gwynedd Mercy Academy Elementary, Mount Saint Joseph Academy and Villanova University have honored Mary Jo with their presence today.

Her spunk was recognized by others…Mary Jo was

- Selected First Team All-State in Pennsylvania for Field Hockey and Basketball

-Philadelphia Inquired 2011 Player of the Year

-finished her Master of Accountancy from Villanova Oniversity within 7 months of receiving her Bachelor’s degree

I would like to take this opportunity to clear up the notion our son’s have that Mary Jo was “the favorite” Just because she was the only child allowed in the sunroom, able to leave her animal toys set up on the front foyer stairway for weeks, had a garage bay spot cleared for her car when she was 16, was the only one of our children who did not have perfect attendance in high school and when she asked for a dog, a puppy suddenly arrived, it’s just that it was so hard to refuse her spirited negotiation skills.

Matt, the way you treat Mary Jo makes it so evident how much you love her. You make her so happy and truly appreciate her spunk as much as we do. We are so honored to have you be part of our family.

Let’s all raise our glass and give our best wishes to Mary Jo and Matt for a long life of love, happiness and health!